



# BEAR RIVER BULLETIN

Bear River Bulletin

March/April 2016



## Tribal Easter Party & BBQ

March 26, 2016

12:00 Noon

Tish Non Community Center

Egg Hunt & Prizes for  
the following age  
groups

0-2

3-6

7-9

10-12

13-17

Hot Dogs

Potato Salad

Chips &

Refreshments will be  
served

For more information contact Brenda Bowie

Bear River Band of Rohnerville Rancheria, 266 Keisner Road, Loleta, CA 95551 ph. (707) 733-1900 fax (707) 733-1972

For more information on the Easter Party please contact Brenda Bowie

### Important Dates

#### ◆Candidate Open Forum

Saturday, March 12, 2016

10:00 AM

Tish Non Community Center

#### ◆Write-In Candidate

Forms to be received no later than

Monday, March 21, 2016

#### ◆Official Tribal Election

Saturday, March 26, 2016

8:00 AM to 4:00 PM

#### ◆ WUSA Meeting

March 16, 2016 at 6:00 PM

#### ◆ GRID Alternatives

March 15<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 AM

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## Chairman's Corner



Dear Tribal Members:

On March 26th, you will elect a new Tribal Chairperson. Serving as your Chairman has been a privilege and it is now time for me to step aside and return full time as your Director of Gaming. Tribal Council has established an Election Committee to work with the League of Women Voter's to involve and educate interested tribal members in the election process. This is a very exciting development for the Tribe.

This will be my last official communication as your Tribal Chairman. The last three years have been both challenging and fruitful. Despite adversity and negativism, Tribal Council has established policies to provide transparency and equality for all Tribal Members. As a whole, we have learned to believe in each other and a better future for our children.

I am proud of the accomplishments that we have achieved as the Bear River Band of Rohnerville Rancheria. I would like to thank you for your support during my term as Chairman and encourage you to VOTE in the upcoming election.

*William Sand*  
Tribal Chairman



#### Important Information

Submit the following  
information:

- Name
- School
- Grade
- Contact information

Information re-  
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needed ahead  
of time to plan  
for the Gradu-  
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and gifts

# 2016 Graduates

## 8th Grade High School College

If you or someone you know is  
graduating this year please contact  
the Trista Clark, Higher Education  
Department

(707) 733-1900 ext. 298

**SECOND NOTICE OF TRIBAL COUNCIL ELECTION ON MARCH 26, 2016**  
**AS SPECIFIED IN THE ELECTION ORDINANCE**  
**OF THE BEAR RIVER BAND OF THE ROHNERVILLE RANCHERIA**

**DATE: SATURDAY, MARCH 26, 2016**

**TIME: 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM**

**PLACE: TISH NON COMMUNITY CENTER**  
**266 KEISNER ROAD, LOLETA, CA 95551**

TO ALL ELIGIBLE VOTERS: The Regular Tribal Election will be held on March 26, 2016. A packet including a Second Notice of the Election and a copy of qualifications submitted by those candidates who chose to do so by the February 26, 2016 deadline, will be mailed to all eligible voters not later than March 12, 2016. Eligible voters who requested an Absentee Ballot or are Permanent Absentee Voters will also receive an Absentee Ballot, Instructions for submitting an Absentee Ballot, a Ballot Envelope and a stamped envelope addressed to the League of Women Voters of Humboldt County Elections Service Post Office Box 3806. If you did not request an Absentee Ballot, or if your request reached us after the filing deadline, you may vote in person on March 26, 2016 from 8 AM to 4 PM.

If you intended to run for office but your Intent was received after the February 26, 2016 deadline, you may still register as an official Write-in Candidate by submitting the pink Intent to be a Write-In Candidate form, also included in the mailing with a return envelope, to the League Post Office Box 3806 before March 21, 2016.

CANDIDATES (in alphabetical order) WHO FILED AN INTENT TO RUN BY FEBRUARY 26, 2016 ARE:

**CHAIRPERSON**

Barry L. Brenard  
Steven Lauvell Martinez  
Dakota McGinnis, Jr.  
Edwin Smith  
Elijah Hawkman Thomas

**TREASURER**

Brenda Sue Bowie  
Wendell Freeman, Jr.  
Gary Lee Robinson

**MEMBER-AT LARGE**

Niekoma Cantrell  
Delmer Keisner  
Sheila Annette Moon-Weist  
Jesse Nathaniel Orr  
Josefina Marisela Rivera  
Margaret Thomas

**CBDO (COMMUNITY BASED DEVELOPMENT ORG.)**

Trista Clark  
Tiffany L. Strohbinn

The Tribal Council has defined two proposed Constitutional Amendments for the March 2016 election. They are:

1. Shall the Constitution be amended to allow currently enrolled adopted members the right to vote and hold office?                      YES or NO
2. Shall the Constitution be amended to place a permanent enrollment moratorium, only to individuals that are 18 and older that apply for membership? Minors that are 17 years of age and younger and newborns will still be able to enroll in Bear River should enrollment criteria be met.                      YES or NO

A complete explanation of these proposed Constitutional Amendments, showing the exact changes to the Constitution, will be included in your mailed Second Notice of Election packet.

**Constitutional Amendments require that at least 45% of the eligible voters take part in the election,  
with a majority of those voting in favor of the amendment for it to pass.**



## Employment

### Bear River Band

- ◆ ICWA Advocate/Clinical Care Coordinator
- ◆ Smoke Shop Cashier/Barista
- ◆ Social Services Director

### Gaming Agency

- ◆ Surveillance Officer

### Casino

- ◆ Experienced Table Games Dealer
- ◆ General Ledger Account
- ◆ Guest Room Attendant
- ◆ Host
- ◆ HR Recruiter/Trainer
- ◆ Marketing Coordinator
- ◆ Player Development Host
- ◆ Porter
- ◆ Security Officer
- ◆ Transportation Driver

In addition to fun and challenging work in a fast-paced atmosphere, Bear River Casino Hotel offers full-time team members a generous benefits package including medical, dental, vision, 401(k) and PTO.

Our online application process works best with an active email address.

Employment requires passing a pre-employment drug screen and a gaming background check. Some positions have additional pre-employment requirements.

For more information contact Human Resources Department.



David Montoya

## Executive Director of Tribal Operations

Dear Members of the Bear River Band of Rohnerville Rancheria

Hello. My name is David Montoya and I cannot express how excited I am to begin work as the Executive Director of Tribal Operations for your tribe. It is quite an honor, and a responsibility I take with great love, humility, and seriousness.

I have been working with tribal communities for nearly two decades, mostly giving legal advice. Some of the most interesting projects I have worked on include assisting the Tribal Law and Order Commission while working as the Research Analyst at UCLA's American Indian Studies Center, education development at the Soboba Band of Luiseño Indians, and protecting tribal cultural property. It always warms my heart when I can see the result of hard work produce positive changes for tribal communities; I promise to give my all to the Bear River Band of Rohnerville Rancheria so that every tribal member may also see positive changes as a result of my efforts.

From the bottom of my heart, thank you for this opportunity. Please feel free to come by my office at any time. I would like the opportunity to say hello to each tribal member and learn more about the community.

Best,

*David Montoya*

Member of the Ohkay Owingeh Pueblo



## Election Committee

Dear Tribal Members,

Bear River has created a new Election Committee that will be working with the League of Women Voters in the upcoming and future elections. This committee was formed to create transparency of the election process for our Tribe. The election committee will be working closely with the League of Women Voters, instead of Tribal Council, to provide a fair and transparent outlook on the upcoming, and future, elections.

Every election will consist of new members on the election committee to keep a consistent transparency.

For the upcoming election on March 26, 2016, the election committee is represented by Celeste Ruiz, Crystal Sand, Alicia Carter, Jesse Sherman, and Charmin Bailey. If you have any questions regarding the committee, please feel free to contact us.

We look forward to seeing you at the Tribal elections!

Sincerely,

Celeste Ruiz  
Crystal Sand  
Alicia Carter  
Charmin Bailey  
Jesse Sherman

## Non-Point Source Pollution

Today, polluted runoff is the source of most of the contamination in the nation's waters. Heavy rains and melting snow pick up pollutants and transport them downhill toward the nearest body of water or leach through the soil, carrying pollutants toward ground water supplies.

Runoff from an urban or suburban area, for example, is likely to contain the following:

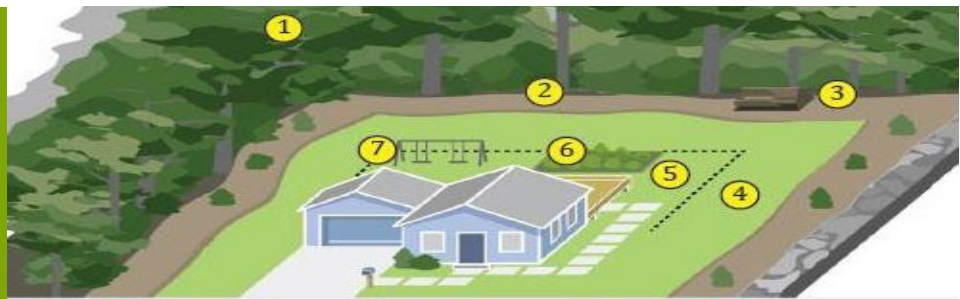
- Fertilizer and pesticides leached from lawns
- Oil and antifreeze washed off driveways
- Bacteria and organic matter from pet waste
- Sediment from construction sites. Runoff from farms, homes, or factories in rural areas can contain many of the same pollutants.

Urban runoff is also characterized by high storm flows and increased water temperatures. Multiplied by hundreds or thousands of acres in a watershed, the cumulative effect of polluted runoff can be devastating to the receiving waters downstream.

(Source: <https://cfpub.epa.gov/npstbx/files/getnstepguide.pdf>)

## Electronic Waste Recycling

The Environmental and Natural Resources Department still offers free Electronic Waste recycling. Feel free to drop off your e-waste at the ENR department on the pallets next to the big storage containers, if you would like your e-waste picked up you may call Kayla San Filippo (707) 733-1900 x119 or Delanie Farnham (707) 733-1900 x165. Please no refrigerators unless the Freon has been removed. If you have any questions about what exactly qualifies as e-waste, please call!



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| <b>1</b> | <b>Tick zone</b>           | Avoid areas with forest and brush where deer, rodents, and ticks are common.                              |
| <b>2</b> | <b>Wood chip barrier</b>   | Use a 3 ft. barrier of wood chips or rock to separate the "tick zone" and rock walls from the lawn.       |
| <b>3</b> | <b>Wood pile</b>           | Keep wood piles on the wood chip barrier, away from the home.   |
| <b>4</b> | <b>Tick migration zone</b> | Maintain a 9 ft. barrier of lawn between the wood chips and areas such as patios, gardens, and play sets. |
| <b>5</b> | <b>Tick safe zone</b>      | Enjoy daily living activities such as gardening and outdoor play inside this perimeter.                   |
| <b>6</b> | <b>Gardens</b>             | Plant deer resistant crops. If desired, an 8-ft. fence can keep deer out of the yard.                     |
| <b>7</b> | <b>Play sets</b>           | Keep play sets in the "tick safe zone" in sunny areas where ticks have difficulty surviving.              |

*Based on a diagram by K. Stafford, Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station*

(Graphic credit: CDC)

## EPA Department

Pet vouchers for vaccination and spay & neuter are still available as well. These vouchers can be used at Riverwalk Veterinary or Ferndale & Fortuna Veterinary. Please call Kayla San Filippo at the above listed number for questions or stop by the ENR office to pick one up.

## Spring Cleaning Tips for better Indoor Air Quality

- Be weary of scented cleaning products and air 'fresheners' as these can trigger asthma and allergic reactions
- If you are prone to indoor allergens, switch to a HEPA filter vacuum, make sure it does not say 'HEPA-like'
- Ventilate, open a few windows for at least a 5 minutes a day
- Check your filters to be sure they're clean: in heaters, cooling systems, air purifiers, etc.

## Tips to discourage ticks from your yard

- Clear tall brush and grass from around home
- Mow lawn often
- Keep pathways clear of overhanging branches or plants that you have to brush past



## ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT REPORT

### Loleta Cheese

Bear River, along the other creditors, await a ruling from the Bankruptcy Court on whether or not the financial disclosure is satisfactory. Mr. Laffranchi may be given even more time to fix the financial disclosure, which appears to be Mr. Laffranchi's legal strategy, or Loleta Cheese could be directed to Chapter 7 liquidation.

### Tribal Loans

There are eighty-two (82) active loans at this time. Thirteen (13) loans are in default. The Tribe has collected \$75,525 in interest and fees through December 2015. The loan program has an annual limit of 300,000 to loan out and have obligated 244,000 through December 2015 leaving 56,000 available to loan.

### UltraGreen

Ultra-Green continues to increase sales as they work through financial issues related to the closing of Devil's Lake, repayment of grant monies, and sale of assets related to fiber production that they now import. This has been a painful and time consuming process, but they feel we will come out of it with a viable company positioned for continued growth and returns to our shareholders. They are currently still raising capital under the \$1mm PPM that was discussed on my visit there (\$310,000 still available) to assist with funding operations until they reach positive cash-flow/break even. During this process and shortage of capital, their employer (Kreiger Enterprises) has continued to defer compensation.

### 20/20 Genesystems

The Company itself continues to operate with strong management and the product continues to be received well with modest sales growth over the past three months.

### Billboard

October rental income	\$5,325
November rental income	\$5,325
December rental income	\$5,325



There continues to be strong interest in billboard advertising from the business community and Bear River expects to continue to fill the advertising spots on a month to month basis.

### **611 I street**

This property continues to perform well with long term tenants Humboldt County Association of Governments and Manhard Consulting and Engineering as tenants on long term leases. We will continue to explore opportunities to keep our tenants long term and are exploring the possibility of acquiring additional commercial real estate to accommodate the growth needs and demands of Manhard Consulting.

### **Tobacco Traders**

The Bear River Tobacco Traders business continues to improve from month to month. Net sales have continued to be steady with net sales average for October, November, and December at \$125,047 a month with an average of \$4122 gross sales per day. The business, in addition to contributing indirect costs and covering depreciation and providing tribal member employment, is turning a profit on a monthly basis net of expenses. I have been put in charge of overseeing the Tobacco Traders since Matt resigned back in October. I have been going over policies and procedures with the Manager and we have come up with ways to improve the store and the security of the products that we sell out of the store. Nicole and the rest of her staff have done a very good job down there and our gross daily sales are proof of that.

### **Morgan Stanley**

Initial Investment-\$1,500,000. The Tribal Council closed the account with Morgan Stanley on December 14, 2015. Although the Tribal Council realized that there was significant market volatility this past year caused by a mix of investor nervousness related to the Fed, China, and a lack of corporate guidance. The Tribal Council did not feel that Morgan Stanley was managing the Tribes assets to the satisfaction that was needed to keep this account. The current snapshot of our investment portfolio as of December 16, 2015 is at \$1,481,873. The Tribe is currently looking at other financial advisors.

### **JLM Energy**

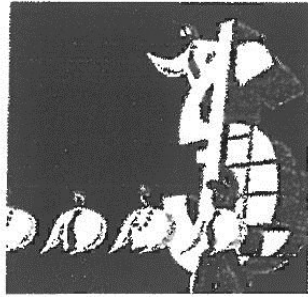
The wind turbines and solar panels have finally been hooked up to Tribal building but it is too early to analyze the difference between what we use to pay on electricity and what we are currently paying.

I held a quarterly Economic Development meeting on January 20, 2016 from 5pm to 6pm at Tish-Non Community Center. We went over 2015 4<sup>th</sup> quarter Economic Development report and had a discussion about tribal rentals and current projects that are still in discussion but not finalized. The attendance at this meeting was up from previous quarterly meeting. I encourage more of you to attend and play a role in our future. Next meeting will be Wednesday April 20, 2016 at the Tish-Non Community Center 5pm-6pm.

Dakota McGinnis

Economic Development Director

<b>Tribal Economic Development: 2015</b>	<b>Thru Q4</b>	<b>Budget</b>
Beginning Balance	968,382.00	968,382.00
RAP Distribution	7,642,204.00	6,072,690.00
Department Expenses	-212,559.00	-216,353.00
611 I St Income	23,084.00	-4,406.00
20/20	56,551.00	50,000.00
Ultra Green	25,000.00	25,000.00
Smoke Shop Operations	30,457.00	0.00
TNCC Events Leasing	7,295.00	2,901.00
Billboard Income	-64,056.00	43,379.00
<b>Transfer from Unrestricted</b>		
Ending Balance	8,476,358.00	6,941,593.00



## **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MEETING**

**WEDNESDAY APRIL 20, 2016**

**TISHNON COMMUNITY CENTER**

**5:00 - 6:00 PM**

### **Agenda**

- 1) Economic Development Report for 1st QTR 2016**
- 2) Update ON Current Investments**
- 3) Open Session**

- ADJOURN**

**NEXT MEETING WEDNESDAY JULY 20, 2016**

**Dakota McGinnis Jr.**

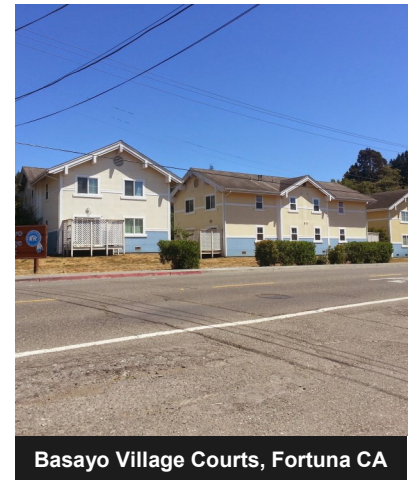
**Economic Development Director**



Tish Non Village Parking Lot, Loleta, CA

## Basayo Village Court

Vacant units are available and Tribal members are encouraged to apply. Over income families can now apply. Remember we are also accepting Priority 2 applicants (non-Tribal parents of Tribal children), Priority 3 applicants (other Native American Indian), and Priority 4 all others, but these will only be served after all Priority 1 (Tribal head of household) applications are placed in units.



Basayo Village Courts, Fortuna CA

## Housing Report

Tish Non Multi-Family Element: Housing Department has submitted an application for ICDBG FY 2015 grant on October 13, 2015. The competition for funds was strong and there was a large number of high quality applications that were taken under consideration. However, I regret to inform you that our application was not selected for funding. The point cutoff for funded applications was 90 and we received a final rating of 89 points.

Housing Department is preparing for ICDBG FY 2016 grant. The planned project is to begin development Tish Non Village Apartments Phase I on existing infrastructure development (end of Bowie Road) was funded principally by HUD Rural Innovation Fund grant of \$300,000. Tish Non Village Apartments will be developed in two phases with the support of the ICDBG Grant FY 2016 and 2017 if awarded. These 16 units; 4 buildings will be located at the end of Bowie Road. They will be, 2 bedroom, 1 bath, low income, and energy efficient units complete with all appliances.

This project will be carried out and administered through the Bear River Development Commission, a Community Based Development Organization (CBDO). The proposed project has been identified by CBDO, the Tribal Community and Tribal Leaders to be a priority with the aim of reducing the number of families that are access impaired, homeless, overcrowded, and that have multiple families sharing a single home

## Off Site Rentals

Now Accepting Applications for one- 3 Bedroom 2 bath 2 car garage Home. This Rustic Home is located close to Bear River Casino and amenities. For further information contact Housing Department (707) 733-1900 Ext. 231 or 228.

**Charmin Bailey, Housing Director**



# TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT UPDATE

## CONTACT INFORMATION

266 Keisner Road Loleta CA 95551 \* 707-733-1900 ext. 293 \* [wendellfreeman@brb-nsn.gov](mailto:wendellfreeman@brb-nsn.gov)

## TRANSIT SERVICE

Transit Service started in the Tish-Non community July 2015. Current service runs Monday – Friday with two trips in the morning in each direction and two trips in the early evening in each direction. The route connects 11<sup>th</sup> & N Street in Fortuna to College of the Redwoods with a few stops in between, including our stops located directly in front of the community center/tribal office and across the street from the Bear River Tobacco Traders and Coffee. Please feel free to contact the Transportation Department for more detailed route information.

### **BASAYO RESIDENTS....WE NEED YOUR HELP!**

As you know, if you live in our Basayo apartments, transit service is difficult to access due to the distance between your residence and the connecting line that brings you to Tish-Non. We have a solution. Please contact Wendell with details on how you can help bring the bus closer to home!

## BUS PASS PROGRAM

Bus passes are available for qualified tribal members through the Transportation Department. Please contact the department to see how you can get connected!

## Transportation Department Team

Please welcome Lisa McGinnis back to our team. We are glad to have you back Lisa!

Our Team!

Wendell Freeman  
Transportation Director  
Sheila Moon-Weist  
Van Driver  
Lisa McGinnis  
Van Driver



## TRANSPORTATION SERVICES/SCHEDULING RIDES

The primary role of the Transportation department is to transport tribal members to and from medical appointments. Our services prioritize elders first, children (with parent or guardian) second and all others third.

In addition to providing transportation to medical related appointments the department assists tribal members with other important appointments such as behavior health, social services and AOD.

It is important that tribal members attempting to schedule rides understand that it is their responsibility to contact the department 48 hours in advance of any appointments to check for availability. Last minute requests for transportation may be denied based on availability of drivers and the current schedule.

At the time appointments are scheduled we block out the anticipated time on our schedule to accommodate each appointment. Tribal members that have appointments scheduled with us for a ride must understand that we are only transporting for the appointment you have prearranged. Adding additional stops to a scheduled appointment at the time of the appointment may be denied based on driver availability and the current schedule.



## MEDI-CAL PATIENTS

United Indian Health Services Medi-Cal patients that schedule a ride with the transportation department will now be asked to fill out a patient Release of Information form between Bear River Band of Rohnerville Rancheria and UIHS. The Transportation Department will be requesting 3 specific pieces of information in regard to patients.

1. Request for your medical record number from the clinic
2. Confirmation that you are a Medi-Cal covered patient
3. Confirmation that each appointment we take you to is covered under Medi-Cal

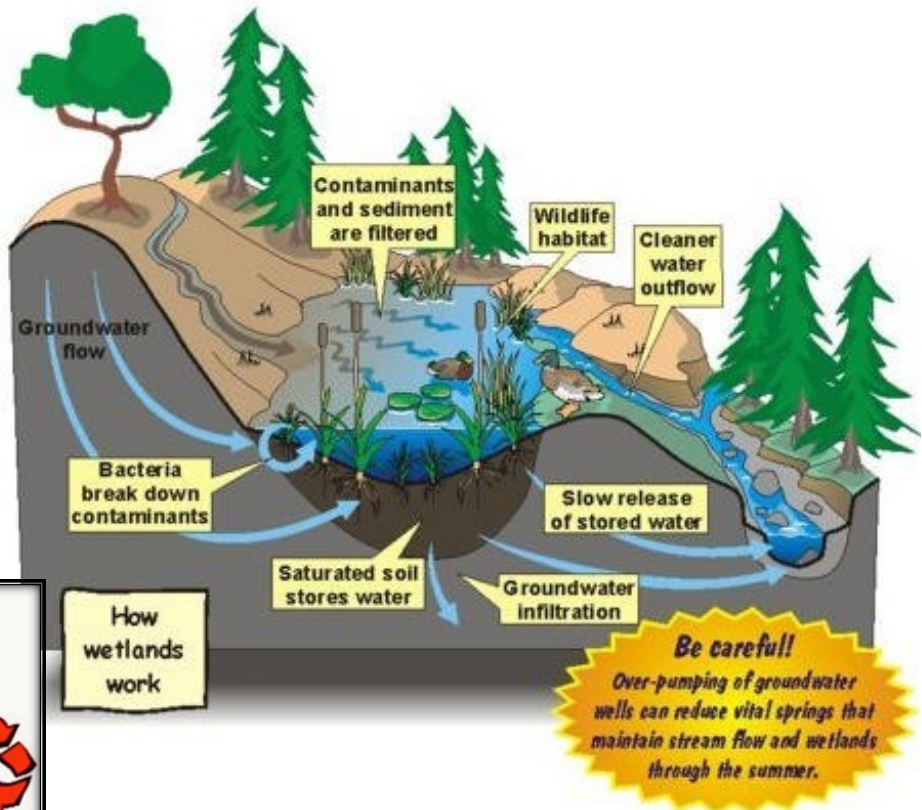
We will never receive information about your appointments or you personally except what is covered in 1-3 above. Your treatment will never be divulged to the tribe.

The purpose of our request is so that the tribe can be reimbursed for our mileage and time to transport you to a Medi-Cal covered appointment. In doing so, we are able to put money back in our pockets for services we are already providing to you.

If you have any questions or concerns about the new Medi-Cal program the tribe is participating in please feel free to contact the Transportation Department.

## Earth Day Event

Please come join us for a Earth Day activities, prizes, raffle and fun! (More details to come) We will be celebrating Earth Day early to allow more kids to participate during Spring Break we hope to see you all there at the Tish Non Community Center



## Importance of Wetlands

### Flood Protection

Wetlands function as natural sponges that trap and slowly release surface water, rain, snowmelt, groundwater and flood waters.

Trees, root mats and other wetland vegetation also slow the speed of flood waters and distribute them more slowly over the floodplain. This combined water storage and braking action lowers flood heights and reduces erosion. Wetlands within and downstream of urban areas are particularly valuable, counteracting the greatly increased rate and volume of surface-water runoff from pavement and buildings. The holding capacity of wetlands helps control floods and prevents water logging of crops. Preserving and restoring wetlands together with other water retention can often provide the level of flood control otherwise provided by expensive dredge operations and levees. The functions of a wetland and the values of these functions to humans depend on a complex set of relationships between the wetland and the other ecosystems in the watershed. A watershed is a geographic area in which water, sediments and dissolved materials drain from higher elevations to a common low-lying outlet or a basin point on a larger stream, lake, underlying aquifer or estuary. (Source: <http://www.epa.gov/wetlands/why-are-wetlands-important>)



**Earth Day**  
**Event: Friday,**  
**April 15<sup>th</sup> at**  
**noon**



## Elders Better Balance & Fall Prevention Program Event

The Social Services Department and Elder Advocate Barry Brenard would like to thank everyone who participated in making the Elders Better Balance & Fall Prevention event a success. Elders participated in various activities to assess their mobility, balance, and lower body strength on Friday, February 19 and received consultations and personalized exercise recommendations the following Friday. These assessments will assist in preventing potentially dangerous falls. We would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to **Dr. Justus Ortega and his students from the Humboldt State University Biomechanics Lab** who performed this valuable service to our community elders with smiles and sensitivity.

Thank you to all who participated in supporting Bear River tribal elders at this event and for working towards the common goal of a happy, healthy community!



## Solar Panel Installation

GRID Alternatives has received funding to install solar panels on three homes in Tish Non Village. The tentative date is **September 30, 2016**. If you are interested in having solar panels installed on you will need to fill out an application. Maggie Graham, GRID Alternatives, will be at the Tish Non Community Center **Tuesday March 15<sup>th</sup> at 10 am**. She will give a presentation about GRID and the benefits of solar energy. She will also help participants update their current applications or start a new one.

You will need the following information to participate in the program. **A current PG&E bill, and tax returns for 2016.**

This program is for low to moderate income.

If you have any questions contact Edwin Smith at (707)834-6480.





## Healthy Families

As always, Snacks and Raffle Prizes will be available!!!

We hope to see returning faces and new ones as well!

For more information or transportation, please contact Elizabeth Rienzi in the Social Services Department at (707) 599-7965.

**Please look on the Social Services Department Bulletin Board outside of the Department offices for the March and April Healthy Families Class Flyers and for future event details.**

We Hope to See You!



## Healthy Families Updates

### December 2015:

The December Healthy Families Class was a family fun activity of creating Christmas ornaments to decorate homes for the holiday. We had a great turnout of tribal community members of all ages, and it was exciting to see so many families laughing and working together. Thank you to all the Tribal families who shared their creativity, imagination, and stories with each other!!!

### January 2016:

In January, Carla Giovannetti presented "Values That Shape Your Child's Future" to the Healthy Families community. Participants learned helpful tips and strategies to support the physical and emotional well-being of our tribal youth. The Social Services Department would like to thank Carla for her dedication to the Bear River community and its healthy development. We would also like to thank the tribal community for taking the time to invest time and energy into ensuring the most positive outcomes for our youth! They are the future!

### February 2016:

The February Healthy Families class was held on March 2 and consisted of making crafts to decorate tribal homes for St. Patrick's Day. It was great to see happy youth and adults working alongside one another and sharing in the experience. Thank you for coming out and participating in this family-fun event and modeling what a connected community can look like! These classes wouldn't be a success without your continuing commitment!!!

### March 2016:

The March Healthy Families class will be a QPR (Question, Persuade, Refer) Training on suicide prevention, presented by UIHS. This training will provide practical strategies that could help increase overall well-being in our tribal community. The QPR mission is to reduce suicidal behaviors and save lives by providing innovative, practical, and proven suicide prevention training. The signs of crisis are all around us. QPR believes that quality education empowers all people, regardless of their background, to make a positive difference in the life of someone they know. This class will be for adults only given the sensitive nature of the topic. Please join us in our collaborative efforts to support the emotional needs and well-being of the Bear River community.

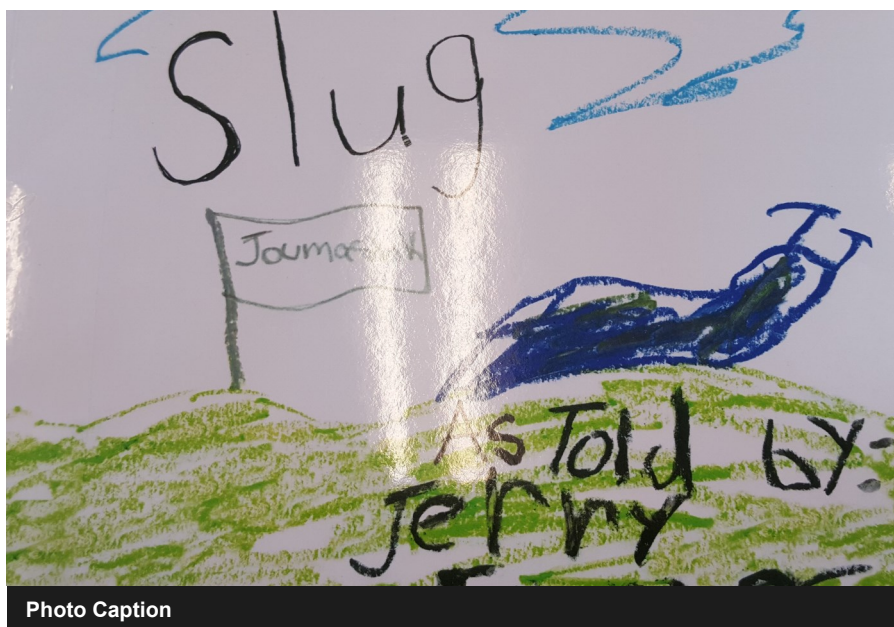


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## Dr. Suess Day

March 11, 2016

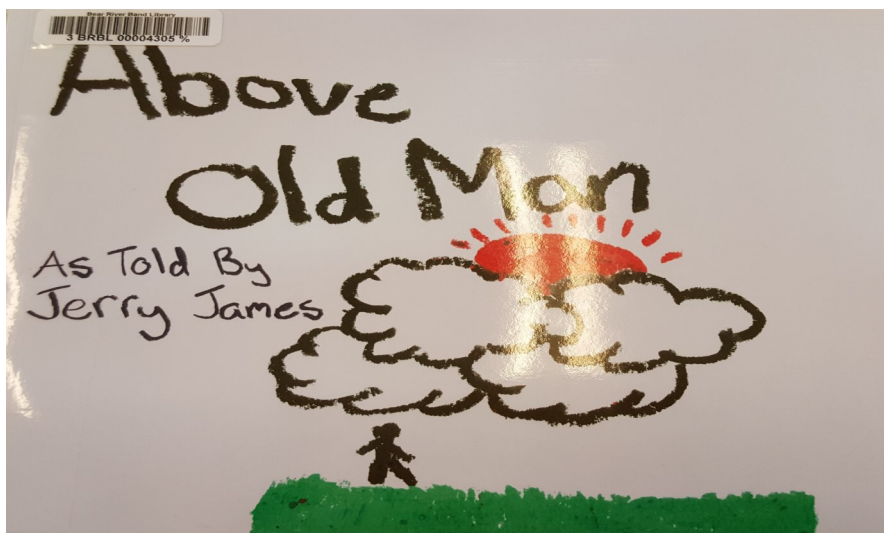
2:30 PM & 3:30 PM

Bear River Library

For more information contact the Library (707) 733-1900 ext. 234

## Bear River Library

Big news in the library! The Bear River Cultural department and Wiyot Tribe have finished the Wiyot storybooks. They are ready to be handed out. If you would like a set please stop by the library or give us a call at 707-733-1900 ext. 234 so we can mail them to you. There will be a limit to one set per household with Tribal youth. We also still have copies of "The original patriots" by Chag Lowry. Within the next month the library will have a listening center that both youth and adults can use. This will allow youth and adults to listen to books and while following along with the paper copy of the book. We will also have playaways that will be available check out. These are similar to MP3 players, instead of music they have books prerecorded on them. We are also hoping to start a book club for adults! Please let the librarian know if this is something that would interest you.



## Bear River Bulletin

Help Bear River be more environmentally conscious by reducing our use of paper as well as cut down on costs of postage and printing by signing up for the E-Newsletter, Direct deposit for Per Capita and E-Billing. Sign up for the Bear River Bulletin E-Newsletter by contacting Teresa McGinnis at [teresamcginnis@brb-nnsn.gov](mailto:teresamcginnis@brb-nnsn.gov) or (707) 733-1900 ext. 154.

If you or someone you know is considering suicide, please call the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline at 1-800-273-TALK (8255) or visit [suicidepreventionlifeline.org](http://suicidepreventionlifeline.org) for free and confidential emotional support.

## Direct Deposit Agreement Form

### Authorization Agreement

I hereby authorize **Bear River Band of Rohnerville Rancheria** to initiate automatic deposits for my quarterly Per Capita payments to my account at the financial institution named below. I also authorize **Bear River Band of Rohnerville Rancheria** to make withdrawals from this account in the event that a credit entry is made in error.

Further, I agree not to hold **Bear River Band of Rohnerville Rancheria** responsible for any delay or loss of funds due to incorrect or incomplete information supplied by me or by my financial institution or due to an error on the part of my financial institution in depositing funds to my account.

This agreement will remain in effect until **Bear River Band of Rohnerville Rancheria** receives a written notice of cancellation from me or my financial institution, or until I submit a new direct deposit form to Accounts Payable.

### Account Information

Name of Financial Institution: \_\_\_\_\_

Routing Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Account Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Checking

☐

Savings

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### Signature

Authorized Name (Print) \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Authorized Signature (Primary): \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Authorized Signature (Joint): \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please attach a voided check or deposit slip and return this form to Accounts Payable

## Change of Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature (Required)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name as it appears on the Tribal Roll

\_\_\_\_\_  
Roll Number

\_\_\_\_\_  
Phone Number

I request that my address be changed to the following:

C/O \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Member Signature Required \_\_\_\_\_

I request that my minor child's address be changed to the following:

Child's name \_\_\_\_\_ Roll # \_\_\_\_\_ C/O \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

Member Signature Required \_\_\_\_\_

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